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Dear Sirs,

Until now I have been angry yet quite regarding the MLPA'S that the Packard Foundation have bought from the State of California and have taken from the thousands of recreational sportsman. I know feel it is time to become politically active and voice concern . I have just been informed of the Clam Island Protection Area PROPOSED FOR Tomales Bay. Why don't you folks just come out and say it is for the protection of the seals that sleep on mud! If you had the clams in mind and you actually went to the area you would see that the clam population is alive and well which is supported by the numbers of recreational clammers that still take easy limits of clams. You would also see that the seal population is also doing quite well by the number of great white sharks the Bodega Bay Marine Lab has tagged at the mouth of Tomales Bay. Guess what they are using to intice the sharks to attack? Plastic seals!! Before you shut down a piece of property that is used only when the tide is low enough to expose the mud, re consider the fact that the seals and the clams are doing just fine without the money from the Packard foundation.

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A really pissed off sportsman.